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SON PERFORMS PLAY FOR HOSPITALIZED MOTHER

The Winthrop Players performing "Camelot" for Mrs. Marion Grana.

There was nothing unusual in the fact that the Winthrop Players were producing their version of *Camelot* at the Memorial Auditorium in Winthrop on March 16, 17 and 18, nor was it surprising that James R. Grana had the lead. He has acted in many plays. What was unusual was that his mother, Mrs. Marion E. Grana, had never missed a performance.

Mr. James R. Grana clasps his mother's hand after performance.

Since February 19th, however, Mrs. Grana had been a patient at Deaconess and it looked as if she would not see this version of *Camelot*. That was before James got together with Deaconess and the 25 members of the cast to see if something could be done. It took a lot of cooperation, but finally the Winthrop players brought *Camelot* to Deaconess for Mrs. Grana.

The production, performed in full costume but without scenery because of the limited stage space, was held in the Elliott P. Joslin Auditorium at the Cancer Research Institute on March 19. The Winthrop Players welcomed other patients and anyone who wanted to attend as their guests, making at least part of the lyric in the title song come true: "In short there is simply not a more congenial spot for happily everaftering than here in *Camelot*."

Circle The Date

The night is Friday, April 28 — the time is 8:30 P.M. when Arthur Fiedler will raise his baton for Deaconess Night at the Pops.

Mrs. C. Cabell Bailey, Chairman, and Mrs. George A. Dempsey, Treasurer, are selling tickets in the lobby of Central Building on Wednesday, April 26 and Thursday, April 27. Do take advantage of this opportunity to reserve a seat for $6 or a table for $30.

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LARGE RADIOISOTOPE SCANNER INSTALLED ON PALMER VI

Miss Mary L. Rutledge, Teaching Assistant, Medical Technology Program, poses as the patient on the Isotope Scanner. Miss Dorothy V. Blanchard, Isotope Nurse, assists Dr. Albert E. Anderson (left) and Dr. Herbert F. Gramm (right).

A new dual probe radioisotope scanning machine has been installed on Palmer VI. Radioisotopes emit gamma rays, similar to X-rays, and may be given in small doses internally to patients. Thus I^{131} will localize in the thyroid and emit gamma rays which can be detected with each of the sensitive five-inch crystals that move above and below the body. The scanner finds the areas where the gamma rays are emitted and records them. Other organs may be scanned for tumors or other abnormalities by using different isotopes. The brain and kidney are studied with mercury^{197}, the lung with I^{131} aggregated albumins and the liver with colloided gold^{198}. The scanner is a relatively new and promising diagnostic tool, the limits of which have yet to be established.

The machine and its auxiliary equipment were purchased from Ohio Nuclear Inc. for nearly $30,000 and represent a joint effort of the Department of Pathology and Radiology. Dr. Albert E. Anderson, Associate Pathologist, and Dr. Herbert F. Gramm, Associate Radiologist, direct the operation of the instrument and interpret the findings.

PARASITOLOGY WORKSHOP SCHEDULED FOR MASSACHUSETTS MEDICAL MEETING

The fifth Workshop in Parasitology will be held by the New England Deaconess Hospital Department of Pathology in conjunction with the Massachusetts Society of Pathologists and the Massachusetts Medical Society at the Statler Hilton on Wednesday, May 17 from 9 A.M. to 12 Noon and from 2:15 P.M. to 5 P.M.

The parasitology workshops train pathologists and medical technologists to identify parasitic intestinal diseases which are becoming more frequent because of increased travel to and from the tropics.

Registration is limited to 16 Massachusetts Medical Society members. Dr. Bradley E. Copeland, Dr. Merle A. Legg, Dr. David Skinner, Pathologists; Mr. Henry L. Knopp, Administrative Assistant for the Laboratories; Mrs. Judith C. Kimber, M.T. (ASCP), Miss Anne E. Whitney, M.T. (ASCP), Mrs. Elizabeth R. Kitson, M.T. (ASCP), Mrs. Joanne M. Casella, M.T. (ASCP), Miss Barbara E. Prime, M.T. (ASCP) and Miss Judith Ann Hansberger, M.T. (ASCP) are instructors.

The Massachusetts Medical Society's 186th Annual Meeting program covers three days on May 16, 17 and 18 and is open to all physicians, residents, instructors and students. Dr. Bentley P. Colcock, Surgeon, Active Staff, is Chairman of the Committee on Arrangements.

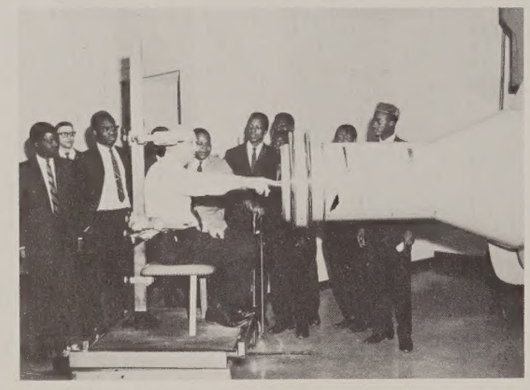
NIGERIAN AND GHANIAN OFFICIALS TOUR DEACONESS

Nineteen government officials from Nigeria and Ghana, who are participating in a training program for the management of industrial development, visited New England Deaconess Hospital on Monday, April 3. The training program, which is in its third session, is designed to provide a rigorous and intensely practical blend of training in analysis, management and industrial development. Special courses in world trade and investment give the participant a greater perspective of the international economic framework accenting future development in Nigeria and Ghana.

During the course the men are exposed to the operations of a wide range of well-managed plants and institutions. Among them this year were General Electric in Lynn and the American Can Company in Needham. The participants visited representatives from the State Department while in Washington, D.C. and toured the United Nations during their stay in New York City. After leaving the Boston area they will travel to Puerto Rico reviewing management of various facilities there.

The training program is conducted by Arthur D. Little, Inc. and sponsored by the United States Agency for International Development. Classroom instructors are drawn from A. D. Little's professional staff as well as from Harvard University, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Northeastern University, Boston University and Tufts. New England Deaconess Hospital is honored to have been included in the program.

Mr. R. D. Lowry, Executive Director, takes officials from Nigeria and Ghana through the Maintenance and Engineering Department.



Dr. Joseph H. Marks shows the group the two-million volt X-ray therapy machine.

New Therapeutic Coordinator

The Dietary Department has a new dietitian to coordinate its therapeutic services. Miss Alice E. Wells plans diets for patients with difficult menu problems by coordinating information with members of the medical and nursing staffs as well as with the Dietary Staff.

The therapeutic dietitians have been asked to refer special patients to Miss Wells in order that they may have more time with their usual patients to develop diets which are not only medically correct but pleasing to individual tastes.

Miss Wells received her B.S. in foods and nutrition from Framingham State College, served her dietetic internship at Walter Reed General Hospital and was accredited by the American Dietetic Association in 1963.

Arthur Nickerson Resigns

Commuting to work has ceased to be a problem for Mr. Arthur V. Nickerson, Electrician. He recently resigned from Deaconess' Maintenance and Engineering staff after 15 years of service. As soon as he can sell his house in South Weymouth, Mr. Nickerson plans to move to New Hampshire and make his cottage there livable year round.

A party was held in his honor on March 30. Mr. John J. DeCost, Head Electrician, presented him with a gift of money from friends throughout the Hospital, and coffee and cakes were served by Miss June Forbes, Maintenance Secretary.

Mr. Nickerson and his wife, Beryl, who attended the party, have two children and nine grandchildren.

Dr. O. Stevens Leland discusses the equipment in the Cardiopulmonary Department.

APRIL IS CANCER MONTH

The Crusade for Cancer will last throughout the month of April and culminate on the evening of May 2nd, when 95,000 volunteers will conduct a house-to-house drive. Funds contributed to this Crusade will be used to support American Cancer Society programs of research, education and service, such as those in effect at New England Deaconess Hospital.

Dr. Henry I. Kohn, Director of the Shields Warren Radiation Laboratory and a lifetime research professor of the American Cancer Society, is working on a project supported by funds from the Massachusetts Division of the American Cancer Society entitled "An Attempt to Induce Histoincompatibility in F_1 Progeny by Viral Infection of their Parents (mice)." Others at Deaconess working on the Society's supported research are Dr. Olga Greengard, Senior Research Associate, on the "Effect of Radiation and Radiomimetic Drugs on Enzyme Adaptation in Animals," and Dr. Harry W. Carter, Pathologist, "Effects of Colchicine on the In Viro Biosynthesis of DNA in Human Tumors." In addition, Dr. Jean Everice Carter, resident in Anatomic Pathology, was awarded a clinical fellowship by the American Cancer Society.

Deaconess has had a long and meaningful connection with the American Cancer Society. Among the original incorporators of the Massachusetts Division are Dr. Ernest M. Daland, Surgeon, Active Staff; Dr. Charles C. Lund, Surgeon, Active Staff; Dr. Shields Warren, Director of the Cancer Research Institute, and Mr. James T. Mountz, Clerk of the Corporation. This year's president of the Massachusetts Division of the Society is Dr. Gerald G. Garcelon, Surgeon, Active Staff, who succeeded Dr. William A. Meissner, Pathologist-in-Chief.

MR. LEE SPEAKS AT THE N. E. HOSPITAL ASSEMBLY

"Once committed to the use of a computer, life is never the same. There are significant organizational changes and the whole approach to data handling is different." Mr. Richard E. Lee, Associate Director and Controller, shared Deaconess' computer experiences with members of the New England Hospital Assembly on Wednesday, March 29th at the War Memorial Auditorium. Mr. Lee was one of three speakers selected to cover the conference topic, "Your Hospital — Is It Ready for a Computer?"

SPRING BRINGS A WEDDING TO THE CHAPEL

In the Arthur T. Dooley Chapel and before an altar decorated with spring flowers Miss Claudia J. Moscatelli, from Framingham, and Mr. Roderick W. F. Dawe, III, from Muskeegan, Michigan, were married. The ceremony, performed by Chaplain Ralph A. Curtis, took place on March 16.

Mrs. Dawe is the first student from the School of Nursing to be married in the Chapel while still in training. She is a junior and will remain at the School, while Mr. Dawe who is in the Air Force serves three months in Guam and then returns to be stationed at Westover Air Force Base.

The maid of honor, Miss Nancy L. Tattersall, from Swansea, is also a junior at the School of Nursing. Mr. Kenneth M. Snader from Chestnut Hill was best man.

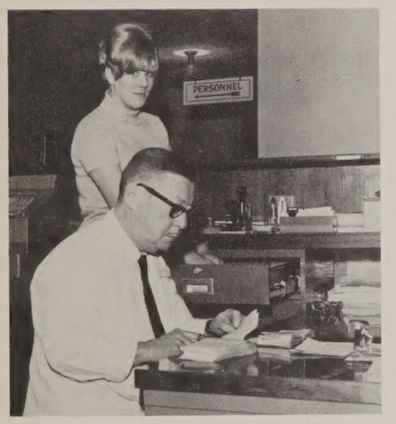
Chaplain Ralph A. Curtis stands between the new Mr. and Mrs. Roderick W. F. Dawe, III.

DIVISION OF A DEPARTMENT

Mrs. Artie P. Alexander helps Miss Mary K. McCarthy, Personnel (foreground); and Miss Marguerite Kehoe serves Miss Mary E. McCarron, Housekeeping.

The Cashiers—Money With A Smile

The last contact a patient has with Deaconess before he leaves the Hospital is when he pays at the Cashier's Office. With somewhat of a magical quality our cashiers can tactfully accept a patient's money and still leave him pleasant and smiling. Patient care comes first at the Cashiers Office where the personnel are available to answer questions from patients regarding their bills. They also provide safekeeping in a special vault for watches, rings and other items of personal value to the patients.



Miss Elizabeth S. Farren and Mr. John R. Ferris.

The billing is done by the Data Processing Department on the IBM 1401, but the forms for an outpatient's Blue Cross, Blue Shield, Medicare and Medex are completed by the Cashiers. Filling out one of these forms can take up to a half an hour depending on the difficulty of obtaining information from the patient.

The Cashiers keep the only alphabetical file of patient bills in the Hospital and upon receiving a payment they must locate the patient's account number and notify Data Processing of the amount to be credited to that number. The whole computerized billing system depends initially on their accuracy. Most payments arrive in the form of checks, but balancing the cash drawer still remains quite a chore. Their work includes a great deal of precision and detail.

Located centrally they direct the flow of charges to Data Processing from the laboratories, X-ray and other service areas. Open from 8:30 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Monday through Friday and from 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. on Saturday, they meet representatives from nearly every department.

Miss Marguerite Kehoe, who is the Head Cashier, has been with Deaconess since October 1946 (she says 1947 but records don't lie). Originally from Needham, she now lives in Brighton with her pet parakeet which talks. Before coming to Deaconess Miss Kehoe worked at Brown Durrell Company. Her number one hobby is eating and she does enjoy reading.

Mrs. Artie P. Alexander has been in Cashiers for nearly a year. She was born and went to school in Miami. Before coming to Deaconess she worked in Robell's Department Store in Boston. She resides with her son, Theran, Jr., her mother, grandmother and her pet dog, Lassie, in Dorchester. Mrs. Alexander includes reading good novels among her interests.

Miss Elizabeth S. Farren, also from Dorchester, has been at Deaconess since February. She lives with her sister and brother and enjoys skiing in winter and the Cape in summer. She has rented a cottage in Falmouth with a group of girls for the season. Before coming here she did nursing aide work at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital.

Mr. John R. Ferris, a retired bank clerk, has volunteered six hours five days a week without missing a day since he first came to Deaconess last January. He served in the Trust Department of the First National Bank of Boston for 20 years. He and his wife, Jane, have one son, Dr. John R. Ferris, Jr., who practices in Newtonville. Mr. Ferris' hobbies include his two grandchildren and playing chess.

MR. SYCAMORE NEW ASSISTANT DIRECTOR

The appointment of Hubert D. Sycamore as Assistant Director of New England Deaconess Hospital by the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees was announced by Mr. R. D. Lowry, Executive Director, on Tuesday, March 28

Mr. Sycamore received his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from the University of New Hampshire. Following a year of residency for the University of Michigan Program in Hospital Administration, he joined Deaconess in 1961 and has served as Director of Administrative Services and Administrative Assistant. In addition to his new duties, he will continue to be responsible for the development of the unit coordinator program and the administrative coordination of the Hospital's Building Program.

He and his wife, Nancy, and their four children, Deborah, Elizabeth, Jonathan and Kristen reside at 18 Ridge Street in Millis. Active in both church and community affairs, he lists as hobbies: music, skiing and photography.

MR. HUBERT D. SYCAMORE

MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY COURSE

Taking a test as Mr. Peter Campisano, Instructor, looks on are (left to right), row one: Miss Deanna H. Boyd, Miss Angela La Corte, Mrs. Irene L. Henry, Miss Betty L. Springer, and Miss Kathryn A. Schnabel; row two: Mrs. Sharon H. Brondos, Mrs. Phyllis L. Read, Miss Carol A. Kaplan, Miss Susan A. Bull, Mrs. Donna L. Smiar, Miss Jane B. Hood, Mr. William E. Branson, Mr. Neil H. Keating, Miss Janice F. Major and Mrs. Carol A. Porell. Absent from the picture but enrolled in the course are Miss Jody P. Elder and Mrs. Eleanor Roberts.

Trich or Trache?

"Trich" and "trache" are just two of the hundreds of roots and stems members of Mr. Peter Campisano's medical terminology class are memorizing. Covering the basic roots, stems, suffixes and prefixes pertaining to all the body systems, the class is learning to break down medical terms into decipherable units. For example, if they see "dermat" as a word segment they will think of the skin, and realize that dermatosis is a disease of the skin, dermatology is the study of skin and that a dermatophyte is a fungus parasitic on the skin.

The class is meeting every Tuesday from 3 to 4 P.M. for eight weeks. Mr. Campisano, Service Coordinator, says that a basic understanding of medical terminology can't make a doctor's handwriting any easier to read, but he hopes it will make the language of the medical world less of a stumbling block to the hostesses, unit coordinators, secretaries and other lay personnel, who must come into contact with these words.

Mr. Campisano is pleased with the progress of this first class and hopes the course can be given regularly three times a year. Anyone interested should see their department head.

DOCTORS' DOINGS

DR. C. CABELL BAILEY, Physician, Active Staff, was recently welcomed as a member of the Massachusetts Blue Cross Board of Directors.

DR. CARL C. BARTELS, Physician, Active Staff, has been appointed official physician for the Cardinal Cushing Boston Pilgrimage to Lourdes. Departing for the French shrine on March 29 and returning April 12, Dr. Bartels will be accompanied by his wife Carmelita, a registered nurse.

DR. BRADLEY P. COPELAND, Pathologist, Active Staff, spoke on "Instrumentation in Clinical Laboratories" at the April meeting of The Pioneer Valley Medical Technologists' Association at Holyoke Hospital.

DR. CONSTANTINE J. MALETSKOS, Research Associate, Cancer Research Institute, presented the paper "Introduction of New Scientific Methods in Court," at the First National Symposium on Law Enforcement, Science and Technology, March 7 through 9 in Chicago.

DR. RICHARD H. OVERHOLT, Surgeon, Active Staff, was a guest speaker at the South Shore Regional Science Fair competed at Bridgewater State College.

DR. W. BRADFORD PATTERSON, Physician, Active Staff, was moderator of the morning panel program and guest speaker in the afternoon at the Community Cancer Conference entitled "Patients, Problems and Progress" sponsored by the Hartford Unit of the American Cancer Society on April 20.

DR. SHIELDS WARREN, Director, Cancer Research Institute, attended the American Association of Pathologists and Bacteriologists meeting on March 11 and 12 in Washington.

NEW MENU-MATIC

Using the new menu calculator are Mrs. Vandale Yancey (left) and Mrs. Elsie I. Hansen, both Food Supervisors, Dietary.

TEA TOTALER?

How many will have tea? How many roast beef? For years food supervisors had to total all the individual patient servings by hand and then notify the kitchen how much of what to make. The process would take four supervisors about two hours and then changes would have to be made because patients had been discharged or admitted.

Now the Dietary Department has a new calculator called the "Menu-Matic" which speeds the tally time to 20 minutes and allows two supervisors to figure servings closer to meal time, eliminating some of the changes.

The supervisors and dietitians help patients select and mark their menus with a special pencil. The machine separates the coded forms into normal, diabetic, restricted residue and salt-free divisions and totals all the choices for each group respectively. Totals for up to 19 selections for the morning, noon and evening meals show on the machine simultaneously.

FIRST TRAY-SERVER CLASS GRADUATES

Graduating tray-servers are seated (left to right), Mrs. Suzanne M. Fountaine, Mrs. Linda H. Fall, Miss Dorothy E. Jordan, Mrs. Gertrude M. Reed and Mrs. Mary C. Finn. Standing are Miss Charlotte L. Donaldson, Director of Dietetics; Miss Mabel J. Spragg, Miss Allison Parker, Instructor; Miss Consolata C. Cardillo, Mrs. Mary L. Osborne, Mrs. Sarah M. Kelly, Mrs. Margaret M. McCarthy, Mrs. Harriet Regan and Mr. R. D. Lowry, Executive Director.

Members of the first tray-servers class were graduated Thursday, April 6 at 3 P.M. in ceremonies in Conference Rooms B and C. Mr. R. D. Lowry, Executive Director, presented certificates to the eleven graduates, who also received yellow and white caps and "Diet Aide" pins from Miss Charlotte L. Donaldson, Director of Dietetics.

Mr. Lowry said he was proud to have individual advancement present in the Hospital and that the course not only meant more status for the girls but more responsibility. Miss Mary C. Finn presented a scarab bracelet to Miss Allison Parker, Instructor, on behalf of the class and refreshments were served.

The course covered the responsibilities of a diet aide and the functions of other aspects of food handling. Miss Donaldson and Mrs. Irene Borghi, recently resigned Assistant Chief Dietitian, lectured and gave demonstrations as did Mrs. Barbara A. Beigel, Miss Barbara J. Bartley, Mrs. Elaine K. Rozanski, Therapeutic Dietitians; Mr. Lloyd R. Bilton, Chief Steward; Miss Caryanne Whitmore, Administrative Dietitian, Main Kitchen; Mr. William T. Gibson, Chef, and Mr. Rocco Marci, Cook. Others of the kitchen and cafeteria staff were also helpful with informal instruction.

In order to provide a general orientation to other departments affecting Dietary personnel, Miss Parker invited the following guest speakers: Mr. W. Dean Holdeman, Personnel Director; Mrs. Irma A. Kellner, Director of Volunteers; Mr. Larry J. Price, Clinical Pathology; Mr. Patrick J. Blake, Purchasing; Mr. Russell Cooke, Assistant Director, Maintenance; Mr. Gregory Yergatian, Data Processing, and Mr. Peter G. Dalton, Housekeeping.

The second group started April 10. Their classes will follow the same general format.

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NEW ENGLAND DEACONESS HOSPITAL BOWLING LEAGUE

DIVISION A

Team No.	Pinfall to date Incl. Handicap	Pts.
1—Schraub	37957	146
3—Halligan	36830	137
2—Colleran	37912	128
5—Gillis	38104	113
4—Biegel	18642	30

High Singles

S. Thomas	111
S. Read	94

High Singles for Year

C. Schraub	154
L. Gillis	126

High Three-String for Year

C. Schraub	360
L. Gillis	307

High Average for Year

C. Schraub	105
L. Gillis	90

DIVISION B

Team No.	Pinfall to date Incl. Handicap	Pts.
11—Gulzynski	35712	111
6—Marotta	37506	108
10—Lee	37190	94
8—Hennessey	34814	79
9—Peterson	28027	66
7—Laffey	35820	64

High Singles

R. D. Lowry	122
S. Meek	99
J. Bouley	99

High Singles for Year

J. Esch	134
S. Meek	127

High Three-String for Year

R. D. Lowry	339
M. Hennessey	313

High Average for Year

R. D. Lowry	99
S. Meek	92

DIVISION C

Team No.	Pinfall to date Incl. Handicap	Pts.
14—Foley	36868	129
13—Weeden	38794	121
15—Cooke	36504	118
12—Shapiro	31900	79
16—Carrington	35237	64

High Singles

E. Brazil	116
J. Dillahunt	116
B. Weeden	116
S. Nordstrom	116

High Singles for Year

J. Barr	132
S. Nordstrom	117

High Three-String for Year

J. Dillahunt	336
S. Nordstrom	321

High Average for Year

J. Barr	101
B. Weeden	95